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Remarks

The above amendments are requested to add a statement claiming priority to a provisional application and to remove a Statement of Government Rights resulting from National Institute of General Medical Sciences Grant No. T32-GMO-8347.

The National Institute of General Medical Sciences Grant No. T32-GMO-8347 is a training grant that provides no rights to the invention to the government; therefore, reference to the grant should be removed.

Priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/100,914 was claimed in Box VI of the PCT Request Form, filed September 17, 1999. A claim of priority was also made in the Declarations of the inventors. A copy of the PCT Request Form and return receipt postcard is included herewith as Exhibit A, and a copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney documents executed by the inventors is included herewith as Exhibit B.

No new matter has been added as a result of these requested amendments.

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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representatives at the below-

listed telephone number, if there are any questions regarding this Preliminary Amendment or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

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